

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 21, 2006 and an Examiner interview conducted on March 13, 2007. In the Office Action, claims 1-6 and 8-14 were pending, claims 1-6 and 8-13 were rejected and claim 14 was indicated as being of allowable subject matter. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. With this Amendment, claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-9 and 11-14 are amended, claims 15-20 are new and claims 3 and 10 are canceled. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

I. Interview Summary

Applicant's attorney would like to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during a telephone interview on March 13, 2007. During this interview, Applicant's attorney and the Examiner discussed proposed claim amendments that would put the application in condition for allowance. Therefore, it is respectfully believed that the amendments made to claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-9 and 11-14 put the present application in condition for allowance.

II. Claim Amendments

Claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-9 and 11-14 have been amended as suggested by the Examiner in the telephone interview on March 13, 2007. In particular, claim 1 is amended to incorporate features of claim 3. Accordingly, claim 3 has been canceled. Claim 5 is amended to incorporate features of claim 10. Accordingly, claim 10 has been canceled.

It is respectfully submitted that independent claims 1 and 5 are in condition for allowance. Claims 2, 4, 6, 8-9, 11-14 and 15-20 are also in condition for allowance at least by their relation to allowable claims 1 and 5. It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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